



***District of Columbia***  
***Interagency Council on Homelessness***



***March 10, 2020***

# Meeting Agenda



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- II. Public Comments
- III. Homeward DC 2.0
- IV. WIOA State Plan & Next Steps
- v. Announcements & Updates
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# Homeward DC 2.0



- ❖ Homeless Services Reform Act (HSRA) requires ICH to develop a strategic plan every five years.
- ❖ HDC 2.0 builds on progress and lessons learned during the first four years of implementation, as identified in the Homeward DC Progress Report
  - Approved by this body in March 2019
  - Available online at <https://ich.dc.gov/page/homeward-dc-ich-strategic-plan-2015-2020>

# Plan Development Process



- ❖ Strategic Planning Committee has been supporting development of the plan since early 2019
- ❖ System Modeling (Chapter 2)
  - Abt Associates worked with ICH staff to develop a more dynamic modeling tool
  - TCP supported ICH staff by compiling data needed to inform system modeling
  - Received support from CAHP (Individuals) and Family System Work Groups to review data and help generate assumptions
- ❖ Strategies (Chapter 3)
  - Strategic Planning Ad Hoc Work Groups met throughout summer and fall to generate strategy recommendations

# Plan Development Process (cont.)



- ❖ Accepted additional comments and suggested edits following 1/21 ICH full Council meeting.
- ❖ Suggestions brought forward to 2/25 Strategic Planning meeting for discussion.
- ❖ Final edits incorporated in version circulated for today's meeting.
- ❖ Strong support by members of the Strategic Planning Committee to move the plan forward to the full Council for adoption.

# Key Changes/Additions Since Jan 21 Mtg.



- ❖ System Modeling (Chapter 2): Reconciliation of our Housing Inventory Count (HIC) had a slight impact on the estimate of projected units needed.
  - The estimate of new units needed each year includes an assumption about the number of housing opportunities we should be getting based on turnover of our existing inventory.
  - Tables on p. 25, 31, 33, and 35.

# Key Changes/Additions (cont.)



- ❖ **Strategies (Chapter 3):**
  - Addition of Goal 11: Expand Data Collection & Improve Data Quality
  - Addition of Goal 12: Provide Leadership on Creating a Right to Housing in the U.S.
  - Additional strategies (across the 12 goals) on racial equity.
  - Lead and supporting agencies identified for each strategy.
- ❖ **Finalized Program Models Appendix to distinguish among different PSH models.**



# Homeward DC 2.0: Questions/Discussion

# Homeward DC 2.0 Next Steps



## Plan Release

- ❖ Plan will proceed throughout copy edit, layout, and final EOM approval.
- ❖ Plan will be available publicly once the Mayor releases it (we will share a date when we have it).

## Implementation

- ❖ Implementation must be phased; we do not have the bandwidth or resources to implement all strategies at once.
- ❖ Initial conversation about FY20/21 priorities at February Executive Committee meeting.
  - Committees are currently developing work plans.
  - Final work plans will be reviewed by Executive Committee at April meeting.

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# Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Unified State Plan 2020 - 2024

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- I. Understanding WIC's Role in the Workforce System**
- II. Overview of WIOA and the State Plan**
- III. Looking Ahead: Workforce System Strategic Plan**
- IV. Q&A**



# DC Workforce Investment Council (WIC)

- **Established by the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA)**
- **Business-led Board, appointed by the Mayor (34 members)**
- **Coordination, Oversight, Resources, Innovation**



# Workforce Investment & Opportunity Act (WIOA)

DC is a **Single-State Entity under WIOA**, which means we function a little differently than states with State and Local workforce Boards.

Key functions of a healthy workforce system should provide:

- **Leadership to the education and workforce system to create *Sustainable Change***
- **An established and communicated *Vision* for the workforce system**
- **Development of *Strategic Partnerships* that achieve the vision**
- **Data and accountability systems to *Keep the System Accountable* to the vision**
- **Ensure workforce customers can *Access the Assistance they Need***
- ***Administer* the core workforce programs offered**
- ***Engage Employers* and industry in preparing workers for available jobs**

Source: <https://www.nga.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/07/NGAHighPerformingStateWorkforceBoard.pdf>



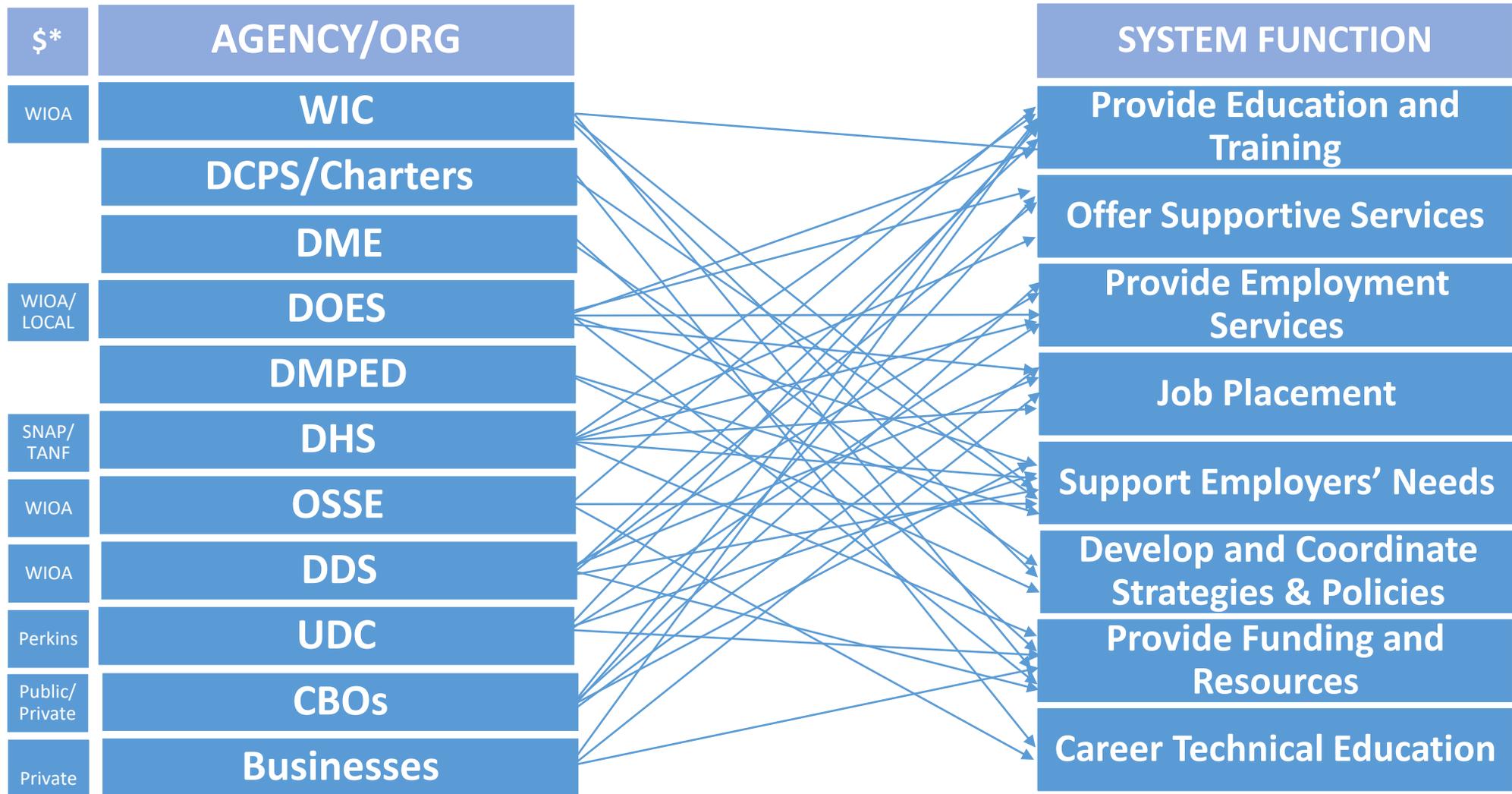
# What Should a Local Workforce System Do?



From Urban Institute <https://www.urban.org/policy-centers/income-and-benefits-policy-center/projects/local-workforce-system>



# Where We Are: District of Columbia



\*Funding source for services provided to residents



# Key Challenges We Have Heard

- **Alignment & Coordination Across Government**
  - Not sure who can help meet needs & how
  - Employer engagement is not coordinated; lots of outreach
- **Provider & Pipeline Quality**
  - Individuals completing programs not gaining employment
  - Employers not able to fill needs or retain employees
- **Data and Information**
  - CBOs are unclear where to send residents, or how to know if needs are being met upon referral
  - Lack of data about how well the overall system is working and meeting residents' needs



# WIOA State Plan

**\*\*Now Open for Public Comment\*\***

**[www.dcworks.dc.gov](http://www.dcworks.dc.gov)**



# WIOA State Plan Background

## District of Columbia's 4-year WIOA State Plan: 2016-2019

- WIOA passed in 2014
- States required to submit plan for use of WIOA funding
- DC's Initial WIOA State Plan was submitted in March 2016

## Reviewed and modified in 2018

- This was intended to be a minor modification to the 4 year plan; a mid-point adjustment
- The two year modification was submitted in April 2018

## 2020-2023 State Plan Requirement

- A more comprehensive update of the plan is due, to include district's vision, goals, and details on how those goals will be achieved
- Due March 2020
- Currently open for public comment; will be submitted in coming weeks to US Departments of Labor and Education



# WIC-identified Target Industries



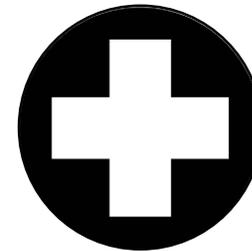
IT and Business Administration



Construction



Security and Law Enforcement



Healthcare



Infrastructure and Transportation



Hospitality



# Included in WIOA State Plan

## Core Programs

- DOES: WIOA Adult Workforce (Title I)
- DOES: WIOA Dislocated Worker (Title I)
- DOES: WIOA Youth Program (Title I)
- OSSE: Adult Education and Family Literacy (Title II)
- DOES: Wagner Peyser (Title III)
- DDS – RSA: Vocational Rehab (Title IV)

## Key Partners

- DHS: TANF
- UDC: Community College



# WIOA State Plan Goals and Strategies

- 1) Enhance System Alignment***
- 2) Improve Community Access to Workforce and Education Services***
- 3) Expand the Talent Pool for Businesses***
- 4) Improve Youth Services***
- 5) Increase Performance and Accountability***



# Looking Ahead: Comprehensive Workforce System Strategic Plan



# Where We Are

## Numerous Plans, Resources, Organizations, and Access Points

### Public System Workforce Plans, Including:

- WIOA State Plan (WIC—DOES, DDS, OSSE)
- Career Pathways Task Force Strategic Plan (WIC)
- Pathways to Inclusion (DMPED)
- Homeward DC (ICH)
- Perkins (CTE) State Plan (OSSE)
- Talent Ready DC (Private Grant Award)
- Employer Engagement 100 (DMPED)
- Employment First (DDS)

### Public Workforce System Web Portals, Entry Points into System, Key Offices, Including:

- Office of Talent and Client Services (DOES)
- Career Pathways (OSSE)
- Back on Track DC, DC Reengagement Center (OSSE)
- Career Coach (OSSE)
- Attain DC (OSSE)
- DC Networks (DOES)
- Provider Portal (DDS)
- Employer Portal (DDS)



# Working with ICH and Other Partners

- **Convening**
- **Coordination**
- **Committees**
- **Sharing data and resources**
- **Additional opportunities for collaboration**



# Q&A

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# COVID-19 Planning



- ❖ Mayor's Order 2020-035, District Govt Preparations for Coronavirus (COVID-19), issued on Feb 28.
  - Nine interagency working groups established, including one on Special and At-Risk Populations.
- ❖ DHS is working closely with DC Health, HSEMA, and Unity Healthcare, based on CDC and HUD guidance, to develop policy decisions and plans for the homeless services system.

# COVID-19 Planning (cont.)



- ❖ DHS held an initial training on the basics for providers and partners on Friday, March 6.
- ❖ DHS will host follow up briefing for providers and partners at **3:00pm on Wednesday, March 11**. WebEx and call info will be shared via the ICH.
- ❖ DHS is also working with TCP to ensure providers have the supplies needed.
- ❖ The best source of information about COVID-19 for District residents is <https://coronavirus.dc.gov/>.
- ❖ For homelessness and human services-related questions, or to get on DHS' COVID-19 distribution list, individuals can contact DHS at [dhs.covid19@dc.gov](mailto:dhs.covid19@dc.gov)

# Mayor's FY21 Budget



- ❖ Budget release delayed
- ❖ DHS Budget Briefings:

**POSTPONED:** Fiscal Policy Institute Budget Briefing

Tuesday, March 24, 1 pm-2pm

Location: DHS, 64 NYA, NoMa Conference Room

**POSTPONED:** CNHED Budget Briefing

Thursday, March 26, 12pm-2:00pm

Location: K&L Gates Law Firm, 1601 K Street NW

**POSTPONED:** Fair Budget Coalition Budget Briefing

Wednesday, April 1, 9:30am-11:30am

Location: Meyer Foundation, 1250 Connecticut Ave NW

# Upcoming Ribbon-cuttings & Groundbreakings



- ❖ **POSTPONED:** 801 East Men's Shelter (Groundbreaking)
  - St. Elizabeth's Campus
  - Tuesday, March 24 @ 3p
  
- ❖ **POSTPONED:** The Brooks – Ward 3 Short-Term Family Housing (Ribbon-cutting)
  - 3320 Idaho Ave NW
  - Friday, March 27 @ 10:30am
  
- ❖ Zoe's Place – 24 Hour Youth Drop-in Center (Ribbon-cutting)
  - 900 Rhode Island Ave NE
  - Wednesday, April 8 @ 11:30am

# Franklin Park Closure



- ❖ Franklin Park will be closing for renovations in April.
- ❖ DHS and ICH have been working closely with the Downtown BID to plan for the closure, focusing on:
  - Alternate locations for service provision
  - Communication to the community (consumers & providers)
  - Park signage

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